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In re application of :  
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Serial No. NEW : **Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH**  
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HIGH-CHROMIUM CONTAINING  
FERRITE BASED  
HEAT RESISTANT STEEL :  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: